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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY POLLUTION REPORT

#### I. HEADING

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Subject: Harvey GRQ. Harvey, Cook County, Illinois.

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#### II. BACKGROUND

Site ID No.: 0V

Delivery Order No: 5001-05-655 Response Authority: CERCLA (ERB)

CERCLA Incident Category: Time-Critical Removal

CERCLIS ID #: ILD001128024

NPL Status: Non-NPL

Start Date: September 21, 1995

### III. RESPONSE INFORMATION

#### A. Initial Situation:

The Harvey GRQ (HGRQ) site is located at 14601 South Wood Street, Harvey, Cook County, Illinois. The HGRQ site is a former industrial complex approximately 35 acres in size, and is comprised of 30 to 40 large buildings. The site, which is situated in a mixed residential and industrial area, lies partially in the Village of Dixmoor and partially in Harvey. HGRQ is bordered on the north by 144th Street, with residences immediately to the north. Wood Street to the west, with industrial and commercial properties across the street, 147th Street to the south, with residential and commercial properties across the street, Grand Trunk Western Railroad to the southwest, and Paulina Avenue and a wooded area to the east. B & O CT Railroad tracks transects the facility from the south of 145th Street on the west side to approximately 146th Street on the east side.

HGRQ operated a stamping plant and other operations until approximately 1976. Under ownership by Leonard Kirtman and Harvey GRQ, Inc., the company moved from the Harvey location in 1988. According to Dixmoor Fire Chief Rich Gini, Kirtman was selling scrap metal to scavengers for the past two years. In July 1994, the State of Illinois issued a consent order to Harvey GRQ, Inc., and Kirtman, to address asbestos issues and an oil spill in building S at the facility. None of the items in the order have been addressed. Buildings A, C, F, H, and J have been cleaned up and are currently being leased and used for commercial businesses. The facility has since been subject to repeated acts of vandalism and theft, resulting in the release of asbestos-containing material (ACM) from pipe and tank insulation onto floor and ground surfaces in both inside and outside buildings at the facility.

As a result of the presence of friable ACM, US EPA plans to abate ACM from locations interior and exterior of the buildings. ACM to be removed from interior building locations include approximately 6,000 cubic yards of loose debris on the floors, 13,300 linear feet of thermal systems insulation (TSI) on pipes, and 950 square feet of TSI on tanks, air handling units and associated ductwork. ACM to be removed from exterior building locations include approximately 1,380 cubic yards of loose debris on soil and pavement, 810 linear feet of TSI on pipes and 50 cubic yards of detached transite panels on soil and pavement. Abatement activities will also include cleaning of approximately 1,500 tires and 12 abandoned vehicles.

# B. Actions Taken:

The following actions were accomplished during the period of September 21 through November 9, 1995.

- 1. ERCS completed a detailed air sampling and analysis plan.
- 2. ERCS prepared a contract with an asbestos abatement contractor.
- 3. ERCS mobilized to site on November 6, 1995, and began procuring vendor services.

## IV. NEXT STEPS

- 1. Mobe asbestos abatement contractor.
- 2. Remove and dispose of all asbestos lying on the ground and from overhead piping outside of the buildings.
- 3. Remove and dispose of all asbestos lying on the ground and from overhead piping inside of the buildings.
- 4. Collect all drums located on site.
- 5. Sample contents of drums if necessary.
- Crush and dispose of empty drums.

#### V. KEY ISSUES

No key issues to report.

# VI. COSTS TO DATE as of 11/9/95

	AMOUNT BUDGETED	AMOUNT USED	AMOUNT REMAINING
US EPA	\$ 165,120	<b>\$</b> 0	\$ 165,120
TAT	\$ 16,000	<b>\$</b> 0	\$ 16,000
ERC\$	\$1,200,000	<b>\$</b> 0	\$1,200,000
TOTAL	\$1,381,120	\$ 0	\$1,381,120